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HEALTH PROFILES FOR PENNSYLVANIA COUNTIES

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The Pennsylvania Department of Health has a legislative mandate to "protect the health of the people of the Commonwealth and to determine the most efficient and practical means for the prevention and suppression of disease." In order to advance toward these goals, we need statistical information on the health status of the population, the health care delivery system, and demographic and population characteristics.

The first health profiles were published in 1977 to provide a compendium of health data. These profiles have been updated and revised biennially, starting in 1978, to better meet the needs of governmental leaders, health program specialists, state and local planners, and concerned citizens.

The Health Profiles for Pennsylvania Counties are a series of 68 individual profiles - one for each county and one for the Commonwealth. The most recent information available was used. The year which the data represents is included in the profiles following each data item. Estimated population figures for 1984 are used throughout the profiles for the listed population as well as in the computation of all rates.

The major data source is the State Health Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Health - specifically the Vital Statistics Cooperative Program, the Annual Hospital and Long Term Care Questionnaires, the Uniform Data Collection System for drug and alcohol information and the Developmental Disabilities Facility Questionnaire as funded by the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council. Additional sources include other units of the Department, (i.e. the Bureaus of Quality Assurance, Epidemiology and Disease Prevention, and Special Public Health Services), Pennsylvania State Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Pennsylvania Office of Employment Security and Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

The profiles will continue to be updated biennially, with the next edition available in 1988. Comments and suggestions for improvement are welcome. If there are any questions or if additional information is needed, please contact the State Health Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Health, P.O. Box 90, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108, telephone number (717) 783-2548.

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

1. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Total Land Area in Square Miles	44,966	Median Age of Population (1980)	32.1
Estimated Population (1984)	11,900,701	% Population Urban (1980)	69.3
Population per Square Mile (1984)	265	Per Capita Personal Income (1983)	$11,468
% Population Change 1980 to 1984	+ 0.3	% of Population Receiving Cash Assistance (1985)	6.3
Projected Population (1990)	12,018,816	% of Labor Force Unemployed-Annual Average (1985)	8.0
% Population Change 1980 to 1990	+ 1.3	% of Pop. Eligible for Medical Assistance (1985)	9.5

Estimated Population by Age and Sex (1984)

AGE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	AGE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
ALL AGES	11,900,701	5,693,286	6,207,415	35-44	1,466,662	713,270	753,392
0-4	816,642	418,317	398,325	45-54	1,176,851	558,995	617,856
5-14	1,585,662	811,374	774,288	55-64	1,303,536	600,001	703,535
15-24	1,973,155	990,483	982,672	65+	1,652,738	649,754	1,002,984
25-34	1,925,455	951,092	974,363				

2. MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES (1984)

Number of Marriages	91,610	Number of Divorces	40,375
Rate per 1,000 Population	7.7	Rate per 1,000 Population	3.4
Median Age of Bride	25	Median Age of Wife	32
Median Age of Groom	27	Median Age of Husband	35

3. NATALITY (1984)

Number of Resident Births	156,799
Rate per 1,000 Population	13.2
Median Age of Mother	26
% Low Birth Weight (<2500 grams)	6.7

Resident Births by Age of Mother, Number and Percent (1984)

AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT	AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT
ALL AGES	156,799	100.0	30-34	30,674	19.6
UNDER 15	352	0.2	35-39	8,197	5.2
15-19	17,923	11.5	40-44	1,057	0.7
20-24	45,193	28.8	45+	36	0.0
25-29	53,332	34.0	UNKNOWN	35	0.0

4. MORBIDITY (1985)

Incidence of Notifiable Diseases

Gonorrhea		29,979	Meningitis:	Aseptic	407	Salmonellosis	2,681
Hepatitis:	Type A	566	Meningitis:	Meningococcal	129	Shigellosis	489
Hepatitis:	Type B	1,038	Mumps		76	Syphilis	517
Hepatitis:	Unspecified	37	Rubella		14	Tuberculosis	736
Hepatitis:	Non-A/Non-B	123					

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS (Continued)

5. MORTALITY (1984)

Number of Resident Deaths	121,358	Number of Resident Infant Deaths	1,634
Crude Rate per 1,000 Population	10.2	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	10.4
Median Age at Death	74.3	Number of Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Accidents in Which Driver Had Been Drinking	704

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Number and Percent (1984)

All Ages			Under 5 Years of Age			5-24 Years of Age		
Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent
Heart Disease	48,645	40.1	Perinatal Conditions	856	44.9	Accidents, All Forms	959	49.5
Cancer	27,468	22.6	Congenital Anomalies	415	21.8	Suicide	256	13.2
Cerebrovascular Disease	8,334	6.9	Accidents, All Forms	122	6.4	Cancer	149	7.7
Accidents, All Forms	4,178	3.4	Heart Disease	55	2.9	Homicide	148	7.6
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	3,685	3.0	Pneumonia and Influenza	26	1.4	Heart Disease	63	3.3
All Other	29,048	23.9	All Other	434	22.7	All Other	362	18.7
TOTAL	121,358	100.0	TOTAL	1,908	100.0	TOTAL	1,937	100.0

25-44 Years of Age			45-64 Years of Age			65 Years of Age and Over		
Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent
Accidents, All Forms	977	20.9	Cancer	8,236	34.7	Heart Disease	39,561	44.4
Cancer	936	20.0	Heart Disease	8,219	34.7	Cancer	18,131	20.3
Heart Disease	747	16.0	Cerebrovascular Disease	975	4.1	Cerebrovascular Disease	7,171	8.0
Suicide	471	10.1	Accidents, All Forms	709	3.0	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	3,047	3.4
Homicide	275	5.9	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	604	2.5	Pneumonia and Influenza	2,573	2.9
All Other	1,264	27.1	All Other	4,967	20.9	All Other	18,650	20.9
TOTAL	4,670	100.0	TOTAL	23,710	100.0	TOTAL	89,133	100.0

HEALTH SERVICES AND FACILITIES

1. HOSPITALS (1985)

Number of Hospitals by Type:

Total	General Acute Care	Psychiatric	Rehabilitation	Federal	Other
300	224	32	16	10	18

Number of General Hospitals with the Following Ambulatory Care Services/Facilities:

Community Mental Health Center	27	Structured Clinics	136	Emergency Services Capability:			
Home Health Service	78	Family Practice Center	66	Limited	1	General	153
				Basic	12	Comprehensive	55

Number of General/Specialty Hospitals with Neonatal Units:

Well Infant Nursery	176	Neonatal Intermediate Care Unit	31	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit	24

General Hospitals:

	Number	Number per 1,000 Pop.
Beds Set Up & Staffed	51,216	4.3
Admissions	1,819,983	152.9

Specialty and Federal Hospitals:

	Number	Number per 1,000 Pop.
Beds Set Up & Staffed	16,038	1.3
Admissions	168,218	14.1

Average General Hospital Semi-Private Daily Room Rate $243

HEALTH SERVICES AND FACILITIES (Continued)

2. NURSING HOMES (1984)

Licensed/Approved Facilities by Level of Care and Certification

Type of Facility	Total	Certified-Medicare	Certified-Medicaid
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	262	198	208
Intermediate Care Facility (ICF)	55	0	48
SNF/ICF Combined Facility	337	314	329
TOTAL	654	512	585

Level of Care	Number of Licensed/ Approved Beds	Number per 1,000 Population Aged 65 and Over
Skilled	45,343	27.4
Intermediate	37,156	22.5
Total (SNF + ICF)	82,499	49.9

Median Age of Residents in Long Term Care Facilities 82.7

Median Semi-Private Daily Room Rate
Skilled $60
Intermediate $56

3. OTHER HEALTH SERVICES/FACILITIES

a. Drug and Alcohol Treatment (1985)

Admissions to State Supported Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities

Number of Facilities	Total Admissions	Primary Diagnosis: Drug Abuse	Primary Diagnosis: Alcohol Abuse	Primary Diagnosis: Other*	Percent First Admissions
453	69,871	22,119	45,024	2,728	45.6

Number of State Supported Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities Providing Specified Services

Inpatient Non-Hospital	Inpatient Hospital	Correctional Institution	Partial Hospitalization	Outpatient	Shelter
101	97	5	6	266	15

*Includes family members receiving counseling.

b. Emergency Health Services (1985)

Certified Emergency Medical Technicians	38,654	Certified Paramedics I	1,749
Ambulance Providers	1,091	Certified Paramedics II	2,449

c. Agencies/Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (1983)

Total Number of Agencies/Facilities 500

Total Serving the Following Disabilities:

Mental Retardation	432	Autism	343	Muscular Dystrophy	344
Cerebral Palsy	395	Learning Disabilities	365	Other	408
Epilepsy	388	Multiple Sclerosis	327		

d. Primary Health Care Centers (1985)

Number of Agencies 105

e. Licensed Boarding Homes (1985)

Number of Homes 1,195